



Docket No. 1046.1100/GPJ

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ryota AKIYAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2202

Serial No.: 08/510,122

Examiner: S. CANGIALOSI

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For: SOFTWARE REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 6, 1996, having a period for response set to expire on March 6, 1997. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is filed concurrently, together with the requisite fee, thus extending the period for response to May 6, 1997.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please CANCEL claims 2, 5 and 6 without prejudice.

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A software reproduction apparatus for reproducing encrypted or non-encrypted software data [offered by a] received via an input route including a storage medium [or] and by communications with a remote source, and for executing monetary charges according to the usage [amount] of the software comprising [of]:

signal processing means for performing unique signal processing based on the input route of the software data; and  
error processing means for conducting error processing based on the input route;

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